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BOTH MR. RICHARD SPELTS AND I ATTENDED TONGA'S CENTENARY CELEBRATION EARLIER THIS WEEK. PRESENTING THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE AND THE GIFT OF OUR GOVERNMENT TO KING TUPOU IV. OUR REPRESENTATION AT THE CENTENARY WAS WELL RECEIVED AND OBVIOUSLY APPRECIATED.

2. VISIT OF USS HORNE TO TONGA DURING TONGA CENTENARY CELEBRATION WAS HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL. RECEPTION ABOARD HORNE WAS ATTENDED BY MANY DISTINGUISHED GUESTS INCLUDING TONGAN CROWN PRINCE AND PRINCESS, PRESIDENT OF NAURU, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER OF FIJI, GOVERNOR GENERAL OF NEW ZEALAND, AND NUMEROUS AMBASSADORS.

3. THE CROWN PRINCE OF TONGA, WHO LAST JUNE INITIATED THROUGH ME THE SHIP VISIT, MADE A COMPLETE TOUR OF THE SHIP AND STATED TONGA WOULD WELCOME FUTURE VISITS OF U.S. SHIPS OF ANY TYPE AND AT ANY TIME.
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